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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule which selectively hybridizes to a nucleic acid molecule having the complementary sequence of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 or SEQ ID NO: 4, or a complement of said nucleic acid molecule.

- 2. An isolated nucleic acid molecule which selectively hybridizes to DNA having the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 or SEQ ID NO: 4 and which encodes a polypeptide which binds to hTNFα.
- 3. An isolated nucleic acid molecule which encodes a polypeptide which binds to hTNFα, wherein said nucleic acid molecule hybridizes under conditions of moderate stringency to a nucleic acid molecule having the complementary sequence of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 or SEQ ID NO: 4, or a complement of said isolated nucleic acid molecule.

An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 or SEQ ID NO: 4.

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An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3 or SEQ ID NO: 5, or a fragment or derivative thereof, wherein said polypeptide binds hTNF α , or a complement of said isolated nucleic acid molecule.

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An isolated nucleic acid molecule which encodes a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3 or SEQ ID NO: 5.

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An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- a) SEQ ID NO: 2;
- b) the complementary strand of SEQ ID NO: 2;
- DNA sequences that specifically hybridize to SEQ ID NO: 2; and
- d) RNA sequences transcribed from the sequences of a), b), or c).
- 8. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of:
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- a) SEQ ID NO; 4;
- b) the complementary strand of SEQ ID NO: 4;
- c) DNA sequences that specifically hybridize to SEQ ID NO: 4; and
- d) RNA sequences transcribed from the sequences of a), b), or c).

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- 9. An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 1.
- 10. An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 2.
- 11. An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule according to claim 3.

An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule according to Claim /.

13. An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule according to claim 5.

An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule according to Claim

- 15. An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 7.
 - 16. An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule according to plaim 8.

A method of manufacturing a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO: 3 and SEQ ID NO: 5 or a fragment or derivative thereof wherein said polypeptide binds to

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hTNF α comprising the steps of expressing said polypeptide in a recombinant host cell which comprises a nucleic acid molecule which encodes said polypeptide operably linked to a promoter sequence.

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